

We claim:

1. (Currently Amended) A semi-rigid straw having two open ends substantially filled with a flavored material selected from the group consisting of jellied drinks, granitas, slushes, and precursors thereof, said straw having tightly fitting end caps and a minimum I.D. of at least ~~0.5~~ 0.75 in.
2. (Previously presented) A straw according to claim 1 wherein the straw is formed from a flexible material semi-rigid plastic selected from the group consisting of polyvinyl chloride, polyethylene, polyethylene terephthalate and polypropylene.
3. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 wherein the flavored material is a slush.
4. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 wherein the flavored material is a slush precursor.
5. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 wherein the flavored material is a jellied drink.
6. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 wherein the flavored material is a jellied drink precursor.
7. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 wherein the flavored material also includes a beverage alcohol.
8. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 which is transparent.
9. (Original) A straw according to claim 1 which is translucent.
10. (Original) A straw according to clam 1 which is opaque.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently amended) A semi-rigid straw according to claim ~~45~~ 1 having a capacity of at least 50 ml of flavored material.